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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Three bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2127–2129, S. Res. 240 and 241, and S. Con. Res. 100. Page S5569

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 1702, to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105–198)

Special Report on Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for fiscal year 1999. (S. Rept. No. 105–199)

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Measures Passed:

Death of former Senator Goldwater: Senate agreed to S. Res. 241, relative to the death of the Honorable Barry Goldwater, formerly a Senator from the State of Arizona.

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McKinley Federal Building: Senate passed S. 1298, to designate a Federal building located in Florence, Alabama, as the "Justice John McKinley Federal Building".

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Lee U.S. Courthouse: Senate passed S. 1355, to designate the United States courthouse located in New Haven, Connecticut, as the "Richard C. Lee United States Courthouse".

Kinneary U.S. Courthouse: Senate passed S. 1800, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 85 Marconi Boulevard in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Joseph P. Kinneary United States Courthouse".

Dellums Federal Building: Senate passed S. 1898, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building".

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Saunders Federal Building: Senate passed S. 2032, to designate the Federal building in Juneau, Alaska, as the "Hurff A. Saunders Federal Building".

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Markey National Courts Building: Senate passed H.R. 824, to redesignate the Federal building located at 717 Madison Place, NW., in the District of Columbia, as the "Howard T. Markey National Courts Building".

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Universal Tobacco Settlement Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 1415, to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, and to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, with a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (Amendment No. 2420), taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

McCain Modified Amendment No. 2446 (to Amendment No. 2420), to ensure funding for Veterans' Administration treatment of tobacco-related illnesses.

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Pending

Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2433 (to Amendment No. 2420), to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobacco manufacturers.

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Gregg/Leahy Amendment No. 2434 (to Amendment No. 2433), in the nature of a substitute.

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Gramm Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Finance with instructions to report back forthwith, with Amendment No. 2436, to modify the provisions relating to civil liability for tobaccomanufacturers, and to eliminate the marriage penalty reflected in the standard deduction and to ensure the earned income credit takes into account the elimination of such penalty.

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Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2437 (to Amendment No. 2436), relating to reductions in underaged tobacco usage.

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Daschle (for Durbin) Amendment No. 2438 (to Amendment No. 2437), of a perfecting nature.

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Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Thursday, June 4, 1998.

Nuclear Waste Policy Act—Cloture Vote: By 56 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. 148), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1270, to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. Pages S5551-64

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Rosemary S. Pooler, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—148) Page S5564

Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Barry Goldwater, of Arizona, in accordance with S. Res. 241, recessed at 7:05 p.m. until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 4, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5581.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

APPROPRIATIONS—ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999.

PREPAREDNESS FOR EPIDEMICS AND BIOTERRORISM

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies concluded hearings to examine the public

health response to disease outbreaks caused by biological and chemical terrorism, focusing on the current system of public health surveillance and control at the State, local, and Federal levels, and certain terrorist incidents involving biological agents, after receiving testimony from James M. Hughes, Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases, and Richard J. Jackson, Director, National Center for Environmental Health, both of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Robert F. Knouss, Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness, all of the Department of Health and Human Services; Ralph D. Mor-Galveston County Health Department, LaMarque, Texas, on behalf of the National Association of County and City Health Officials; Michael T. Osterholm, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on behalf of the American Society for Microbiology; Edward Thompson, Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, Washington, D.C.; and Luther J. Fincher, Jr., Charlotte Fire Department, Charlotte, North Carolina, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Hans Mark, of Texas, to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering, Mahlon Apgar IV, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Logistics and Environment, and Joseph W. Westphal, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, all of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Dr. Mark was introduced by Senator Hutchison, Mr. Apgar was introduced by Senator Sarbanes, and Mr. Westphal was introduced by Senator Cochran.

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Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development held oversight hearings to review the current status of the Federal Housing Administration, focusing on its role and mission, financial status, and reform efforts, receiving testimony from Susan Gaffney, Inspector General, and Ira Peppercorn, General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Judy A. England-Joseph, Director, Housing and Community Development Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, General Accounting Office.

Hearings continue on Thursday, June 4.